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is that there is sufficient oversight. These audits are extremely expensive. By eliminating this requirement, would free-up approximately \$180,000 for direct services, which I think is very fiscally responsible, and needs to be done. I will answer any questions that anyone may have to this amendment. It was not controversial in the least before the committee. It seems to make a good deal of sense, both from an administrative and an economic standpoint. And I would urge your adoption of the amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Byars. We're opening for discussion on AM1059 to LB 516. Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. President, members. I just wanted to rise in support of Senator Byars' amendment. I think it makes sense and logistically is very appropriate for the implementation of the entire fund. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Smith. Further discussion on the Byars' amendment? Seeing none, Senator Byars, do you wish to close on your amendment? Senator Byars waives closing. The question before the body is adoption of AM1059 to LB 516. All in favor vote aye; opposed nay. We're voting on the Byars' amendment to LB 516. Have you all voted? We're voting on the Byars' amendment, AM1059, to LB 516. Have you all voted who care to? Have you all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Byars' amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The Byars amendment is adopted.

CLERK: I've...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Open for discussion on advancement of LB 516 to E & R Initial. Open for discussion. Seeing no lights on, Senator Smith, would you like to close?

SENATOR SMITH: Briefly in closing, there's an estimated population of increase...population increase of 44,000 households over the next five years, creating a demand for over